
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, March 24, 2021

TIME: 3:00 PM

PLACE: Room 35 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. [5073](#)

BY McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SECURING THE FINANCIAL FUTURE FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT {LC185/1} (Provides that the council on elementary and secondary education be encouraged to maintain, publish and update statewide standards for instruction of personal finance in public high schools.)

01/22/2021 Introduced, referred to House H.E.W.

02/02/2021 Committee transferred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5352](#)

BY Cortvriend, Carson, Amore, Henries, Kazarian, Donovan, Kislak

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES (SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 -- THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT) {LC474/1} (Creates the local advisory committee on special education, a majority of which shall be comprised of parents, guardians or caretakers of students with disabilities, to advise every school district on matters concerning students with disabilities.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5703](#)

BY Place, Nardone, Quattrocchi, Chippendale, Hull

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION {LC1516/1} (Establishes an education savings account program to assist and support the parents, guardians and caretakers of students with the materials, tutors, technology and other educational support for learning at-home or at any other remote-learning site.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5826](#)

BY Biah, Baginski, Alzate, Hull, Diaz, Williams, Amore, Henries, McNamara, Batista

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP {LC1463/1} (Allows students who are legally unable to complete the FAFSA to complete a comparable form created by the college.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5827](#)

BY McNamara, Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND SUPERINTENDENTS {LC1836/1} (Requires the RIDE in coordination with the department of the attorney general to collect all public data concerning the use of force, arrest, and referrals to law enforcement or courts in different categories with a reasonable explanation.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Resolution No. [5828](#)

BY Alzate, McNamara, Giraldo, Biah, Amore

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION REINSTATING THE LIFE OF AND EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ENCOURAGING MORE PERSONS OF COLOR TO ENTER THE FIELD OF EDUCATION {LC1830/1} (Reinstates the life and extends the reporting and expiration dates of the commission to study/make recommendations to encourage more persons of color to enter field of education from April 17, 2020, to April 17, 2022, and expires on June 17, 2022.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5829](#)

BY Biah, Diaz, Baginski, Alzate, Williams, Hull, Amore, Henries, McNamara, Batista

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CERTIFICATION OF TEACHERS {LC1657/1} (Mandates RIDE to provide regulations to streamline the English Second Language (ESL) and/or English Language Learner (ELL) teaching certificate.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5830](#)

BY Serpa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- OFFENSES PERTAINING TO SCHOOLS [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 - THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT] {LC1403/1} (Prohibits the use of a school district's listserv to distribute any political advertisement, invitation, and/or propaganda.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5831](#)

BY Serpa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RIGHTS AND DUTIES TEACHERS GENERALLY - SEPTEMBER 11 CLASSROOM MOMENT OF SILENCE {LC1402/1} (Allows teachers in all grades to provide the opportunity for students to observe a brief moment of silence on every September 11.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5833](#)

BY Carson, Cortvriend, Amore, Speakman, Caldwell, Casimiro, Fenton-Fung, Kislak, Craven, Fogarty

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION {LC1455/1} (Establishes the Rhode Island ombudsperson for special education to ensure school districts meet the minimum standards required to comply with an individualized education program for students with disabilities.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [5834](#)

BY McNamara, Bennett, Lima, Alzate, Shanley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- COVID RECOVERY PLANS {LC1829/1} (Directs all school districts to prepare district recovery plans, which would include strategies and targets for students, to address losses in both academic and social-emotional learning.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6021](#)

BY Ajello, McNamara, Kislak, Felix, Williams, Barros, Amore, Lima, O'Brien, Morales

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION {LC1870/1} (Requires district and independent charter schools to use a random selection process to select eligible public school students who would be invited to attend the charter school and allows a parent to decline the invitation.)

02/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/05/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/08/2021 Committee postponed at request of sponsor

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

House Bill No. [6117](#)

BY Ajello, McNamara, Morales, Kislak, Williams, Batista, Amore, O'Brien, Biah, Barros

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- MAYORAL ACADEMIES {LC1027/1} (Requires mayoral academies to use a random selection process to select eligible public school students who would be invited to attend the mayoral academy.)

03/11/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

03/19/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

The State House remains closed to in-person testimony.

The meeting will be televised on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15, and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers.

It will also be live streamed at <http://rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx> .

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

Written testimony is strongly encouraged and may be submitted via
HouseEducation@rilegislature.gov

**Indicate your name, bill number, and viewpoint (for/against/neither) at top of message.
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For faster processing, it is recommended that testimony is submitted as a PDF file.

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Due to the extremely high volume of requests, and in order to accommodate as many constituents as possible, please take note of the revised procedure for verbal testimony:

***DEADLINE: Requests for verbal testimony must be submitted via the link, by 4:00 PM on Tuesday, March 23, 2021.**

For verbal testimony requests, [CLICK HERE](#)

Verbal testimony accepted on any bill scheduled for "Hearing and/or Consideration" only

The committee is unable to designate a specific time that you will be called. In the event you are unavailable when called, witnesses are urged to submit written testimony.

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